

(a) whether a high power U.S. team visited Kashmir recently;

(b) if so, the composition of team;

(c) the purpose of the visit;

(d) whether any other such international team or individuals were allowed to visit the Kashmir Valley. If so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the U.S. team had expressed any views on Kashmir; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER IN EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRIMADHAVSINH SOLANKI): (a) A team led by Admiral Larson, US Commander-in-Chief Pacific Area Command (CINCPAC) visited Jammu & Kashmir in October 1991.

(b) Other members of the team were Ambassador M. J. Wilkinson. Foreign Policy Advisor to CINCPAC. Rear Admiral I. G. Vogt. Director, Strategic Planning & Policy. Captain J. A. Russack. Executive Assistant. Lt Commander Salkin. Physician. Captain Litchfield. ADC. They were accompanied by Ms. Robin Raphael. Political Counsellor. Colonel Richard Crites. Defence and Army Attache and Mr Dundas McCullough from the US Embassy New Delhi.

(c) The purpose of the visit was to show the visitors the situation along the Line of Control and tension created by large scale infiltration of trained terrorists along with arms and ammunition across the Line of Control into India.

(d) Labour Party Leader and shadow Foreign Secretary of the United Kingdom. Mr. Gerald Kaufman also visited Jammu and Kashmir in August 1991.

(e) and (f). The team felt that it had

gained a better appreciation of the situation on the ground and India's policies and concerns.

Alleged Misappropriation of Money in Lucknow and Kanpur Branches of PNB

4759. SHRI JEEWAN SHARMA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether some officials of the Punjab National Bank posted at Lucknow and Kanpur have been indicted for alleged misappropriation of public funds and blatant violation of rules in sanctioning loans; and

(b) if so, the action taken by the Government against those found guilty?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Training to Airmen of Foreign Countries

4760. SHRI B. DEVARAJAN: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Indian instructors are providing training to the airmen of various foreign countries;

(b) if so, the names of such foreign countries; and

(c) the conditions on which such training is provided?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR): (a) to (c). Yes, Sir. A list of such countries is enclosed. The training courses are offered to friendly foreign countries and the courses are conducted under the following schemes:

(i) Indian Technical and Economic

Cooperation Programme (ITEC).

(ii) Self Financing Scheme.

STATEMENT

Countries Whose Trainees are Undergoing Training in the Various IAF Training Establishments

1. Bangladesh
2. Botswana
3. Kenya
4. Mauritius
5. Nepal
6. Sri Lanka
7. Seychelles

Airspace violation by Pakistani Aircraft

4761. SHRI PARASRAM BHARDWAJ:
Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of times Pakistani aircraft crossed over in the Indian airspace during the last two years; and

(b) whether any protests were lodged with the Government of Pakistan?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR): (a) There have been

some cases of violation of Indian airspace by Pakistani aircraft during the last two years. It would not be desirable to give further details.

(b) Government have conveyed their serious concern over these incidents to the Government of Pakistan.

Implementation of Reservation Rules by Jute Corporation of India

4762. SHRI KABINDRA PUR-KAYASTHA: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Jute Corporation of India Limited is following the Government directives regarding implementation of reservation rules for Scheduled Castes/scheduled Tribes Employees;

(b) if so, the steps taken by the Corporation to fix up the reservation quota for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes and the details of vacancies filled up during the last two years; and

(c) the position of backlog as on date, grade-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI ASHOK GEHLOT): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The quota of reservation for SC/ST employees is fixed as per 40 Point Roster on all India basis. The details of grade-wise vacancies filled up during the last two years is as under:

	Year	Recruitment			Promotion		
		Total No.	SC	ST	Total No.	SC	ST
Group-A	1990	-	-	-	2	-	-
	1991	-	-	-	4	-	-